

## CHASTINE IS HELD BY JURY FOR DEATH OF HUGO A. ALVINE

Wife of Accused Tries to Shield Him By Claiming Ownership of the Revolver.

BUT IS UNABLE TO FIRE WEAPON

Subterfuge Fails When She Is Put to Test—Coroner Hears Full Testimony.

Following is the alleged confession made to Frank Golden, Barstow, Iverman, by Dan Chastine, held for the murder of Hugo Alvine:

"I was standing by a pile of rubbish when the 'bull' ordered me away and put a gun at my head. I pulled mine and did it. Now I'm going to Mexico."

"Tell mamma I love her," Golden says Chastine told him to tell his wife. "Tell her to sell the pigs and take good care of herself."

Last evening the bullet that killed Alvine was taken from his body. It is of a peculiar type and is identical with those found in Chastine's automatic. It had entered his back, evidently while Alvine was bending over, and gone down, then deflecting and traveling upward until it was five inches above the point of entrance. Its unusual course was cause of the delay in finding it. An X-ray was used.

After hearing testimony at the inquest yesterday afternoon of the body of Hugo Alvine, special agent for the Rock Island road, who was shot to death in the Silvis yards Thursday afternoon, Dan Chastine, discharged switchman, was held responsible for his murder by the coroner's jury. Chastine is now in the county jail, without bail, awaiting action of the grand jury.

A touching feature of the testimony was that Chastine's wife, praying that her husband was innocent yet suspecting the worst, attempted to shield him by claiming ownership of his revolver. Her testimony betrayed her subterfuge, however, when she was asked to discharge the weapon.

That the discharged switchman, prowling about the yards in an endeavor to steal brass or copper, shot Alvine when the latter attempted to

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## SCENE IN "THE IRON STRAIN"—MAJESTIC



drive him from the right of way, was indicated by the testimony.

He changed his clothes, upon returning home, discarded his revolver, said good-bye to his wife and left. His wife knew something was amiss. What was wrong she did not know, but her husband's actions aroused within her a nameless terror.

In a vague way she realized that her fears were well founded when Deputy Sheriff Miller called to search the house. She did the only thing she could to aid her husband. She claimed ownership of the revolver, which Deputy Sheriff Miller had found in Chastine's room.

Her inability to discharge the weapon proved her undoing, wrecking her feeble little subterfuge, put forth with so much hope.

Chastine has not yet confessed, but on the coroner's records is now a statement from Frank Golden, Iverman at Barstow, which tells of a virtual confession made to him by the discharged switchman.

"The 'bull' had a gun on my head," Golden says Chastine told him, "and I did it."

Tells of Hearing Threats. Bloodhounds that had traced Chastine from the spot where the murder was committed to his door were exhibited at the Esterdahl undertaking rooms, Moline, where the inquest was held. They were in charge of William Jackson of Peru, their owner.

H. R. Reynolds, a special agent for the Rock Island, testified that he had heard Chastine several times speak menacingly of Alvine. Louis Schlitzmiller, assistant track foreman at the Silvis yards, told of finding the body and asserted that Chastine had once declared the "bulls will never get me alive." This was in reference to alleged brass thefts, it is understood.

Facts relating to the discovery of Alvine's body were told by James Thompson of Carbon Cliff, while John Wise, the Barstow boy who put the East Moline police on Chastine's trail, told of seeing him in conversation with Frank Golden and of later playing cards with him.

"When Chastine was standing on the platform and saw an automobile coming, he said, 'are there any police around here?' It was too late then, because the auto was full of East Moline police," Wise testified.

First to Talk to Suspect.

Thomas Lowden, switch tender, probably the first man to speak to Chastine after the murder, said he had seen both Alvine and Chastine, had later heard a shot, and in a few minutes met Chastine. He asked him what had become of the detective.

"He went," Lowden testified Chastine told him.

Other witnesses were Deputy Sheriff Miller, Cyril Dumoulin, proprietor of the Burlington saloon, Frank Golden, Patrolmen Cartwright and Martin, and H. A. Beam, county physician. The doctor testified the bullet has not yet been found.

Members of the coroner's jury that committed Chastine to the county jail were Eric Gustus, George Daebelliehn, Otto Haller, Daniel Mitchell, John J. Stamper and C. A. Tholine.

## IN HIRING A JANITOR ASK FOR HIS DIPLOMA

Chicago, Dec. 11.—A school for janitors has been opened under the auspices of the Northwestern School of Commerce, it was announced today. Graduates will be qualified for both commercial and domestic janitor service. The attendance is large enough to indicate that the innovation will be a success. The students are taught English first.

## TAXI TRIP COSTS PAIR NEARLY \$34

Oskaloosa Men Spend Night in Jail After Being Detained Following Argument Over RHL.

ARE FINED IN POLICE COURT

Then Rearrested On State Charge, Pay Sum In the Case, and Settle Up With Car Owner.

Two middle-aged well dressed men, said to be from Oskaloosa, Iowa, went taxi riding in Rock Island last night. When they settled up today the diversion had cost them \$33.90 and a night in jail. Argument at the conclusion of their trip resulting in their arrest, fines on charges of drunkenness, rearrest on a state charge, and finally settling the bill and paying the costs in the latter case.

The men gave the names of Robert Middleworth and W. E. Cooper. Last evening they employed one of the Silvis taxis and after the conclusion of one trip settled with the driver, paying him \$1. Later they again employed him and he was kept in service until midnight, although the car was not actually running the entire evening. It was at their disposal at various stopping places, however.

Finally they arrived at the Thirty-first street station of the Rock Island lines, preparatory to taking a west-bound train from the city. The driver told them that the bill was \$11. They protested and he called Ed Slevin, owner of the taxi-cab line, over the telephone. Mr. Slevin went to the depot.

Asks \$24 for Service.

He asked them \$24 for the taxi fees and when they protested he called the police. The two were arrested and spent the night at the city jail. This morning they were arraigned before Police Magistrate Smith and fined \$1 and costs on a charge of having been drunk. This cost them \$7.10 each.

They were rearrested then on a state warrant charging obtaining vehicle service with intent of not paying. They were arraigned before Justice of the Peace Clarence J. Schroeder, but State's Attorney Thompson refused to prosecute the case, saying that since the men had offered to settle, the matter was not a criminal one and it was for the civil courts to decide. He said he would not employ his office as a collection agency. G. C. Wenger represented Middleworth and Cooper and said that his clients would settle with Slevin for \$12 and pay the costs. He said that in the event that he refused to this agreement, the Iowa men would not pay the costs and Slevin could sue if he so chose. Slevin finally agreed to accept the \$12.

License for Auction Sales.

At a special session of the Moline city council this morning the ordinance requiring a license fee of \$50 for the privilege of holding auction sales and similar sales in Moline, was passed. It will go into effect in 10 days.

Coal Company Has Fire.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 11.—The Dolph Coal company's anthracite breaker at Jessup burned today. Loss \$150,000. Eight hundred men and boys are put out of work.

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## DEPOSITORS WILL RECEIVE \$45,000

Amount Saved in Christmas Clubs in Banks of City Exceeds All Expectations.

MERCHANTS GET BIG BENEFIT

Rock Island Savings Alone Will Release \$25,000 Dec. 15—Continue Plan Next Year.

In our desire to save money we often overlook the value of taking care of the small amounts, the pennies, if you please.

It seems hardly worth while to begin to save by paying from 1 cent to 5 cents per week, increasing these amounts a little each week, and yet, by doing this very thing, something less than one thousand people have saved over twenty-five thousand dollars in the last 50 weeks by means of the Christmas savings club of the Rock Island Savings bank.

One year ago this club ended its first year by paying out to its members over \$11,000. The success of the first year, and the enthusiasm of the members of the club, caused the Rock Island Savings bank to offer them the benefit of the 1915 club. From the start the new club promised to far surpass that of the previous year.

Wednesday, Dec. 15, the members of the 1915 club will receive their checks for the amount saved. These checks are for amounts from \$12.50 to \$48.75, depending upon the class the member chose in the beginning.

There are nine different classes or plans. Class No. 1 begins with 1 cent the first week and increases 1 cent each week for 50 weeks, making a total of \$12.50. Class No. 2 starts with 2 cents the first week and increases 2 cents each week, making a total of \$25.00. Class No. 3 starts with 3 cents and increases 3 cents each week, making a total of \$37.50. Any of these classes may be reversed and the members may make the large payments first and decrease each week. In addition to the above classes there is one calling for 25 cents, 50 cents or \$1 each week.

The purpose of this club is to help accumulate a fund for Christmas or for any other purpose. The different plans or classes are such that any one can take his choice, choosing the one best suited to his own desires.

Any one can become a member of this club. It is for every member of the family, and any one can join as many different classes as he wishes. There is no membership fee, nor any expense connected with the club. Every cent put into it will be repaid two weeks before next Christmas, with 4 per cent interest added, the only requirement being that you must keep your payments made when they are due.

There are three outstanding characteristics which make this club the ideal way to save money. First, small payments can be made, making it possible for any one to keep up the payments; second, the incentive to keep the payments up to date in order to get the interest, is sufficient to make it worth while; third, the money cannot be withdrawn until two weeks before next Christmas, making the members sure of having money at a time when they most need it.

Number Increases.

The 1915 club has been most gratifying and the expressions of delight from the members causes the officers of the Rock Island Savings bank to feel that the club is of real and lasting benefit.

The 1916 club opens Dec. 20, and if you desire to have money next Christmas for your Christmas shopping or for any other purpose, you will find this an excellent opportunity.

President J. L. Vernon of the People's National bank stated this morning that it was not the policy of their institution to give out the amount saved, but intimated that it would run to thousands. "One of the biggest benefits to be derived from the Christmas Savings club," stated Mr. Vernon, "was brought to my attention by one of our patrons, who remarked that last year was the first year, he had paid cash for his Christmas goods." It is safe to say, however, that the people of Rock Island who are members of the Christmas Savings clubs will receive in the neighborhood of \$45,000, when the checks are given out Dec. 15.

SILVIS

Friday afternoon the members of the local Woman's club had a meeting at the Odd Fellows' hall and decided to open a skating park at Fifth street and First avenue. During the Christmas holidays Mrs. Henry Schmidt will have charge of the sale of Red Cross stamps. The ladies will give a sale of home made bakery goods on Dec. 18 in charge of Mrs. Ritta Warren, Miller Brown and mother, Mrs. J. E. Brown have arrived home from a visit in San Francisco.

Mrs. Sam Easterly threw open her home Thursday afternoon for the entertainment of the members and friends of the Silvis Card club. The rooms and table were very prettily decorated for the occasion. Games and contests preceded the serving of delicious refreshments by the hostess.

Special vesper services will be held at the Silvis Memorial Methodist church next Sunday with special music and selections by victrola, beginning at 4 o'clock.

Miss Mildred Dorman of Moline was visiting friends here last week.

Mr. Diericks will move to Andalusia, Ill.

A Christmas cantata will be given Christmas eve at the Methodist church and those desiring to take part are requested to meet at the church next Friday evening for practice, and the assigning of parts.

Mrs. Will Foster and children are

visiting relatives here having arrived last week from Wyoming.

Miss Adella Leonard has arrived home from a visit at Ophlem, Ill.

## BASE BALL MEN TO COME NEXT WEEK

Chivington to Call Meeting of Committee Appointed to Settle Territory Fight.

One of the prominent baseball men of the city today received a communication from F. M. Chivington, Chicago, president of the American association, in which the writer states that he will call a meeting of the national association committee next week in Rock Island. From this news it is inferred that the meeting of the Three-Eye league in Moline will also be called next week, although Tearney has given out no official notification as yet. The other members of the committee, which is to settle the fight for territorial rights in Rock Island between the Central association and Three-Eye league, are Dr. Frank Carson, former president of the Central league, and Charles Moll of the Northern league.

In the communication Mr. Chivington had the following to say:

"I hope to call a meeting of the National association committee in Rock Island sometime next week to canvass the situation and report to national board of arbitration."

"F. M. CHIVINGTON."

## MAYOR WINS HIS INSURANCE FIGHT

Chief of Inspection Bureau Will Visit Moline to Make Investigation of Existing Conditions.

E. R. Townsend, chief of the inspection bureau, in response to the insistent request of Mayor M. R. Carlson that the state board of underwriters take up the matter of fire insurance rates in Moline and either grant a reduction immediately or conduct another survey in Moline, this morning sent word that he will be in Moline the latter part of this month.

Mr. Townsend will not conduct another survey, as he believes this is unnecessary. A survey was made in Moline about one year ago and using the data secured at that time Mr. Townsend can in a short time make an inspection that will be practically as comprehensive as a new survey.

At the time the survey was made last autumn, all improvements in the waterworks system were not complete.

FOSTER

The Ladies' Aid society of the Pine Bluff M. E. church will serve luncheon at the church Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Vanatta and Mr. and Mrs. W. France were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elbert McGreer Tuesday.

Walter Ziegenhorn and William Kranz attended the funeral of a friend at Reynolds, Ill., Wednesday.

Oliver Shirkey of Muscatine is visiting at the home of his brother, Allen Shirkey.

Word was received here by relatives of the serious illness of William Reynolds, a former resident of this place, who was visiting at the home of his son, Milton Reynolds of Joy, Mr. Reynolds was removed to a hospital at Galesburg.

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